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**Gov. Perdue Asks General Assembly to Review 345 Boards and Commissions:
Consolidate, Eliminate or Reauthorize Them**

Raleigh, NC – Gov. Bev Perdue took action today to reset and restructure North Carolina’s antiquated boards and commissions system. Following her review of the 406 boards and commissions, Perdue directed the General Assembly to review the 345 that fall under state legislative control by Dec. 31, 2011.

She asked the state’s legislative body to provide her with a detailed set of recommendations to consolidate or eliminate those boards and commissions that are ineffective or redundant, and reauthorize those that are essential.

“After reviewing the list, I look forward to working with the General Assembly as we efficiently and systematically streamline the way North Carolina does business,” Perdue said. “We need to consolidate and eliminate wherever possible.”

Perdue asked that the legislature conduct their review in a spirit of bipartisanship that respects the balance of appointment powers in both the executive and legislative branches.

She also pledged to sunset any necessary new commissions by an executive order with a clear and specific end date.

“Working together, we can hone boards and commissions down to just those we truly need to best serve the people of this state,” Gov. Perdue said.

More than 4,000 people are appointed to the 406 boards and commissions in North Carolina, and some two-thirds of those are supported in some way by state agencies.

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